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CENTRAL ASSISTANCE TO STATES FOR EXPORTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to link central assistance for exports to a State`s quantum of exports and growth rate from current fiscal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the percentage of weightage proposed to be given to exports level and growth rate;

(d) whether the Government have also decided to compile State-wise data of export;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the likely effect of said decision on the States which have a considerable vender base and do intermediary jobs?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) & (b) : A new central sector scheme for providing central assistance to States for development of export infrastructure and allied activities has been taken up for implementation from the current year 2001-2002. The Central Government will provide grants to the State Governments on the basis of their export performance and the incremental annual growth in their exports. In the current year, an outlay of Rs.97 crore has been provided for the scheme.

(c) : 50% of the total outlay earmarked for the States will be allocated on the basis of their total export and balance of 50% will be allocated on the basis of the annual growth in their exports.

(d) & (e) : Shipping Bill has been amended with effect from 31.5.2001 to collect information in respect ofthe State of origin of the goods exported.

(f) : All States will benefit from the Scheme to the extent that the goods originating from the State contribute to exports.